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This Response to Restriction Requirement is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2005. Filed concurrently herewith is a Petition to extend the time period of response by one (1) month up to and including February 28, 2006. Therefore, this Response to Restriction Requirement is timely filed.

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